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## Student's Mission -- to Preach to Spanish People

Pvt. Jack Meredith, United States Army, didn't know what he was starting when he invited an Army buddy to attend church services with him. He knew that his friend, Joe Cuellar, was of Spanish descent and a Catholic. He didn't know that Joe was the type of person who has an open mind and a burning desire for truth. Had he known this, he might have foreseen what would happen.

Joe accepted Jack's invitation and attended church with him. Stimulated by what he heard, Joe began studying the Bible. Before long he obeyed the Gospel, becoming a simple New Testament Christian.

As might be expected a strong friendship developed between Joe and his friend who had led him to Christ; but as so often happens in the service, the two were separated when Joe was sent to Japan. While in Japan, Joe came in contact with the American missionaries, and he was so impressed with the service they were rendering that he determined to do the same thing among his own people.

About the time he was firm in this conviction, he wrote Jack that

he felt he should attend college to study and better prepare for his mission. Meanwhile Jack had done some thinking of his own and had a letter on the way to Joe asking what he thought about both of them going to Harding College after their release from the Army. This was agreed upon and in the fall of 1953 the two boys entered Harding.

Joe had a mission — to preach the Gospel to Spanish-speaking people. Dr. Russell Lewis, a native of South Texas and for many years a teacher of Spanish, became interested in Joe's mission through his contact with him in class. He learned that there were a group of Mexican workers in the Bay, Ark., area and arranged for a meeting with Joe doing the preaching. Joe continued to work with these people throughout the fall and has gone back every year since, baptizing as many as 15 or 20.

Meanwhile other students became interested in Joe's mission, and a Spanish club was organized for those wishing to study the language on a voluntary basis. This year the club boasts a membership of 45 or 50, and there are two groups studying the language —

a beginning group taught by Gordon Teel, minister of the College Church, and the advanced group taught by Joe. Dr. Lewis continues to teach an academic course in Spanish as part of the regular curriculum offered by the college.

On the Harding campus others besides Joe and Jack have decided to go to South America as missionaries. At least six or eight are studying seriously with this end in mind. Furthermore, even among students who do not plan to become missionaries there is much interest in the work because of the visible results of preaching in Spanish. The students have been quick to answer appeals to supply Spanish hymnbooks, New Testaments, and tracts for the work in all places.

More interest has been generated in South American missionary work during the three years Joe Cuellar has been at Harding than in the 25 years before his conversion — and all this because Pvt. Jack Meredith invited an Army buddy to church. "He findeth first his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messiah (which is being interpreted, Christ). He brought him unto Jesus."



Joe Cuellar's mother, two sisters, and brother (left panel) visited with him on the Harding campus last fall. At Harding Joe and Jack Meredith (center panel) continue their friendship, which was begun in the service. Three active promoters of the Spanish work—Gordon Teel, Dr. Russell Lewis, and Mrs. Paralee Glass—inspect one of the Spanish hymnals bought by Harding students.





These 11 students, with two exceptions, represent the upper 12 per cent of the senior class. The two exceptions are top-ranking juniors Stanley Schwartz and Norman Dykes. They are (l. to r.) front row: Klaus Goebbels, Schwartz, Louise Shults, Faye Paxson, Charles Pittman; back row: Dykes, Larry Horn, Bobby Holloway, Jack McNutt, J. D. Ewing, Neale Pryor.

## Honor Society Recognizes Six

Six Harding College students — two juniors and four seniors — have received recognition for outstanding scholarship by being invited to membership in the Alpha Honor Society.

The two juniors are Norman Dykes and Stanley Schwartz. The seniors are Klaus Goebbels, Bobby Holloway, Larry Horn, and Louise Shults.

Organized in 1936-37 for the purpose of promoting scholarship among Harding students, the Alpha Honor Society each year extends membership to a group equal in size to twelve and one-half per cent of the senior class.

In the event that there are not enough seniors qualified to meet the scholastic requirements, the quota is filled from the junior class.

Dykes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dykes, Searcy, is a chemistry major. He is president of the Circle K club, treasurer of the Mohican social club, and a member of the camera club.

Schwartz, a pre-med student, is the son of Mr. Sam Schwartz, Clarksdale, Miss. He is a member of the Mohican social club.

Goebbels, from Frankfurt, Germany, has had to overcome a language barrier to achieve his high scholastic standing. He is a Biblical language major and will return to Germany to do missionary work.

Holloway, an English major, is the son of Mr. Earl Holloway, Anchorage, Ky. Horn is also an English major. He is the son of Mrs. C. L. Horn, Black Rock, Ark.

Miss Shults, the daughter of Mr. L. W. Shults, Williford, Ark., is also an English major. She is a member of Las Companeras social club.

## College, Academy Rank High in Speech

Both the College and the Academy showed up well in the Arkansas State Speech Festival held in Little Rock last month. In college competition Dick Richardson and Edsel Hughes earned "superior" ratings for prose reading, the only two top ratings given in this category.

Shirley Blake received an "excellent" rating and Doyle Ward received a "good" rating in poetry reading, and Don Humphrey and Bill Floyd won "superior" ratings

## Workshop Slated

Harding College will again be host to a five-day summer workshop for Bible and Sunday school teachers, July 30 — Aug. 3, J. L. Dykes, chairman of the workshop committee has announced.

Four outstanding teachers in the field of Bible school work will be conducting courses in their respective fields. They will be assisted by regular members of Harding's Bible and education departments.

Mrs. Gayle Oler, Quinlan, Tex., will direct the study of teaching pre-school children, and Mrs. H. E. Speck, Jr., Lubbock, Tex., will be the leader for teachers of primary and junior children.

Thomas Campbell, Ft. Worth, Tex., will demonstrate the services the church can render to its junior and senior high school young people. H. E. Speck, Jr., educational director of the Broadway Church of Christ, Lubbock, Tex., will offer special classes for preachers, elders, directors of education and all who help in planning and carrying out the teaching program of the church.

Classes during the workshop will be held in the college's air-conditioned buildings. The total expense for the week, which includes rooms in the college dormitories, meals in the cafeteria and tuition, is \$25.00.

Harding College will make available to the enrollees all facilities, including visual aids, reading rooms, books of Beaumont Memorial Library and the large stock of merchandise and materials of the College Bookstore, Dykes said.

Complete information and details of the workshop may be obtained by writing John Lee Dykes, chairman of Bible Workshop Committee, Harding College, Searcy, Ark.

in original oratory. Duane McCampbell won a "superior" rating in after dinner speaking, and Hughes won an "excellent" rating.

From the Academy Alvin Cashon won a "superior" rating in original oratory and Dorsey Tynes won a "good" rating.

Linda Graddy was awarded an "excellent" rating in prose reading. Clarajane Lappo received an "excellent" rating in poetry reading and Beverly Knight won a "superior" rating in that division.



Benny Gallaway

From Texas comes another new member of the Harding faculty, Benny Gallaway, assistant professor of history and government. He received an A.S. in social science from Tarleton State College, a B.A. in history and English from Abilene Christian College. Also he attended the University of Texas, where he held an assistantship. While at North Texas he was a teaching fellow.

Other teaching experience includes positions he held in the public schools in Brownfield and Goldwaite, Texas. A two-year interruption of his education and career came via Uncle Sam, when he served with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Gallaway, his wife, the former Betty Ripley, and their son, Stephen Kent, reside at 701 West Center St. in Searcy.

The Harding College Campus Players presented Sidney Howard's three-act drama, *The Silver Cord*, Feb. 24 in the college auditorium. A tense psychological study of a domineering mother, the play was directed by Mrs. Glenn Wiley.

Jeanne Bankston, Tulsa, Okla., senior, played the part of the mother. Her sons were played by Doyle Ward, senior from Clinton, Ark., and Bob Petty, sophomore from Muskogee, Okla.

Ablly supporting the main cast were Helen Hendrix, Senath, Mo., in the role of the older son's wife, and Ila Verne Crews, Keiser, Ark., as the younger son's fiancée. Caryl Landreth, Spokane, Wash., was cast as a maid.

*The Silver Cord* is one of Howard's Pulitzer Award winners.

The next dramatic production by the speech department will be Patterson Greene's *Papa Is All* to be presented April 20.

## Harding Receives Freedom Awards For Fifth Time

For the fifth time Harding College has been honored by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa. The announcement of the 1955 Freedom Awards winners, made on George Washington's birthday, included awards to the college and to Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, dean of Harding's School of American Studies.

The Awards are made each year to individuals and organizations who, in the opinion of the non-profit, non-political and privately-supported Foundation, have helped "create and build an understanding of the spirit and philosophy of the Constitution and Bill of Rights."

Dr. Ganus, now on leave of absence from Harding, received his award in the public address category for a talk, "Basic Concepts of Government." He received a George Washington Honor Medal and \$50 in cash.

Harding was honored for its "1955 American Studies for Teachers" workshop, a five-week project focusing on America's heritage of religious and freedom foundations.

In addition, Harding received a Distinguished Service Scroll in recognition of the school's having been selected as winner in at least five of the Foundation's seven annual awards programs.



Dewey Brown presents Harold Norwood with the "most valuable player" trophy.

## Pacific All-Stars Defeat Atlantic

The Pacific Coast All-Stars beat their Atlantic Coast rivals by a 53-44 score in the Annual Bison All-Star Game Mar. 10. They jumped to a quick lead in the early minutes of play, and the Atlantic Coast, though they outscored the Pacific Coast the rest of the way, could never overcome the deficit.

This year's classic held a special attraction for fans, as the players sported brand-new uniforms bought especially for use in the annual classic by the Bison, student weekly and sponsor of the affair.

Harold (Red) Norwod, East St. Louis, Ill., sophomore, was awarded a trophy as the outstanding player of the game. Norwood, high-point man with 20 points, was presented the trophy by Bison sports editor Dewey Brown.

## Students Enact "The Silver Cord"



Jeanne Bankston (r. played the role of domineering mother in "The Silver Cord." Others in the cast were (l. to r.) Doyle Ward, Helen Hendrix, Ila Verne Crews, Caryl Landreth, and Bob Petty.



# College, Academy Choruses Sing Throughout Southeast

*Appearances Made In Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana*

The Harding College A Cappella Chorus gave 20 programs in 15 cities during its annual spring tour this month. Leaving Searcy Mar. 29 and arriving back on the campus April 10, the group sang at Little Rock, Ark.; El Dorado, Ark.; Vicksburg, Miss.; Jackson, Miss.; Meridian, Miss.; Laurel, Miss.; Ellisville, Miss.; Mobile, Ala.; Pasagoula, Miss.; New Orleans, La.; Baton Rouge, La.; Alexandria, La.; Monroe, La.; Shreveport, La.; and Crossett, Ark.

Director Kenneth Davis, Jr., described the tour as one of the most successful during his three years with the chorus. "The programs were of the highest quality, and we were received wonderfully everywhere we went," Davis reported.

During the tour 15 "Singing Hymn Books" were sold, Davis said, as well as records by the Harding Chorus. The "Singing Hymn Book" is an album of 50 selected hymns recorded cooperatively by the choruses of Harding College, Abilene Christian College, David Lipscomb College, Hardin-Simmons, and Abi-

lene High School. There are also selections by the ACC Men's Glee Club, Harding Men's Quartet, ACC Men's Quartet, and Hardin-Simmons Men's Quartet.

Each year a smaller traveling section of the 59-member chorus makes two extensive concert tours which have taken it into the South, Southwest, East, Northeast, and Canada. Last fall the group sang in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.

The repertoire of the chorus ranges from great church music by Brahms and Bach and familiar hymns to folk songs by Foster.

Featured on the concert programs during the tour were George Lynn's "All Glory on High" with soprano solo by Gail Shoptaw, Fayetteville, Ark.; Edvard Grieg's "God's Son Hath Set Me Free" with baritone solo by Joe Lewis, Mission, Kan.; and Lynn's arrangement of "Lonesome Valley" with tenor solo by Pat Teague, Mena, Ark.

Davis, personable director of the group, is an alumnus of Westminster Choir College, Princeton, N. J.,

where he received his master's degree in music and sang with the famed Westminster Choir.

He also attended North Texas College, Denton, where he received his B.A. degree and where he has taken work toward the Ph.D. degree.

The spring tour of the Academy A Cappella chorus took it into five states — Arkansas, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, and Tennessee.

Under the direction of G. E. Baggett, the chorus made appearances at Little Rock, Ark.; Jackson, Miss.; Pensacola, Fla.; Montgomery, Ala.; Birmingham, Ala.; Russellville, Ala.; Pontotoc, Miss.; Memphis, Tenn.; and Paragould, Ark.

The 41 members of the chorus presented a program of sacred songs with selections by the Academy girls' sextet and boys' quartet. Included were "Jesu, Priceless Treasure," by Bach; "Bless the Lord, O My Soul," by Ippolitoff-Ivanoff; "Land of God," a 16th century chorale; and "My God and I," by Sergei.



It's spring at Harding and everyone's in the swing—with baseball. The intramural baseball program got under way last month with enough boys out to make up six major league and four minor league teams.

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